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## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 29 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 12 and 17 as follows:

1.      (Previously Presented)  An audio/video (A/V) component networking system, comprising:

        a sink component adapted to be communicatively coupled between a source component and a presentation device for displaying A/V program data and an A/V menu data stream associated with the source component on the presentation device based on a user request transmitted from the sink component to the source component; and

        a data manager adapted to identify related A/V program data and automatically transfer the A/V program data and the related A/V program data between a memory and an archival storage system based on a sequential relationship of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data, wherein an earlier of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is stored in the memory, and a later of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is stored in the archival storage system.

2.      (Previously Presented)  The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to automatically change from a selected type of communication network to another type of communication network based on a type of the source component or a type of the A/V program data.

3.      (Original)  The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component comprises a registration module adapted to register a type of communication network for communication with the source component.

4.      (Original)  The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component comprises a registration module adapted to register the source component with the sink component.

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5.      (Original)  The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to present to the user a listing of the A/V program data available from the source component.

6.      (Original)  The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component comprises a registration module adapted to register the presentation device with the sink component.

7-8.    (Cancelled)

9.      (Original)  The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to present to the user on the presentation device a listing of the A/V program data available from the source component.

10.     (Original)  The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to decode the A/V program data for presentation on the presentation device.

11.     (Original)  The system of Claim 1, wherein the sink component is adapted to display to the user via the presentation device a menu interface associated with the source component.

12.     (Currently Amended)  An audio/video (A/V) component networking system, comprising:

        means for transmitting, via a sink component communicatively coupled between a source component and a presentation device, A/V program data and an A/V menu data stream from the source component to the presentation device based on a user request transmitted from the sink component to the source component; and

        means for identifying related A/V program data and automatically transferring the A/V program data and the related A/V program data between a memory and an archival storage system based on a sequential relationship of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data, wherein an earlier of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is stored in the memory, and a later of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is stored in the archival storage system.

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13.    (Cancelled)


14.    (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 12, further comprising means for automatically selecting at least one of a plurality of different types of communication networks for communicating between the sink component and the source component based on a type of the source component or a type of the A/V program data.


15.    (Original) The system of Claim 12, further comprising means for performing a registration operation to register each available type of communication network for communicating the source component.


16.    (Original) The system of Claim 12, further comprising means for performing a registration operation to register the source component with the sink component.


17.    (Currently Amended) An audio/video (A/V) networking method, comprising:
        transmitting, via a sink component communicatively coupled between a source component and a presentation device, A/V program data and an A/V menu data stream from the source component to the presentation device based on a user request transmitted from the sink component to the source component; and
        identifying related A/V program data and automatically transferring the A/V program data and the related A/V program data between a memory and an archival storage system based on a sequential relationship of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data, wherein an earlier of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is stored in the memory, and a later of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is stored in the archival storage system.


18.    (Cancelled)


19.    (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 17, further comprising automatically changing from a selected type communication network to another type of communication

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network for communicating between the sink component and the source component based on a type of the source component or a type of the A/V program data.

20.     (Cancelled)

21.     (Original) The method of Claim 17, further comprising automatically registering at least one of a plurality of different types of communication networks with the sink component.

22.     (Original) The method of Claim 17, further comprising filtering a listing of the A/V program data available from the source component based on a format of the A/V program data.

23.     (Original) The method of Claim 17, further comprising filtering a listing of the A/V program data available from the source component based on a type of the presentation device.

24.     (Original) The method of Claim 17, further comprising decoding the A/V program data for presentation on the presentation device.

25.     (Original) The method of Claim 17, further comprising displaying a menu interface associated with the source component.

26.     (Previously Presented) An audio/video (A/V) component networking system, comprising:

        a sink component configured to be communicatively coupled between a plurality of source components and a presentation device for displaying an aggregated listing of available A/V program data associated with the plurality of source components on the presentation device such that the location of the A/V program data remains transparent to the user; and

        a data manager adapted to automatically transfer the available A/V program data between a memory and an archival storage system based on a sequential relationship of the

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available A/V program data, wherein earlier A/V program data is stored in the memory and later A/V program data is stored in the archival storage system.

27.     (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 26, wherein the sink component is configured to automatically switch from a first type of communication network to a second type of communication network based on a signal condition on the first type of communication network.

28.     (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 26, wherein the sink component is configured to automatically switch from a first type communication network to a second type of communication network based on a change in the A/V program data being transmitted from the source component.

29-33. (Cancelled)

34.     (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sequential relationship of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is based on a recordation time or receipt time of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data.

35.     (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein the sequential relationship of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is based on a presentation time of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data to a user.

36.     (Previously Presented) The system of Claim 1, wherein, upon presentation of the A/V program data to a user, the data manager is adapted to extract next sequential A/V program data from the archival storage system and store the next sequential A/V program data in the memory.

37.     (Previously Presented) The method Claim 17, wherein the sequential relationship of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is based on a recordation time or receipt time of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data.

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38.     (Previously Presented)  The method Claim 17, wherein the sequential relationship of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data is based on a presentation time of the A/V program data and the related A/V program data to a user.

39.     (Previously Presented)  The method Claim 17, further comprising, upon presentation of the A/V program data to a user, extracting next sequential A/V program data from the archival storage system and storing the next sequential A/V program data in the memory.